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MEMORANDUM FOR

Commanders, All Units Reporting Directly to This Headquarters
Directors and Chiefs, Staff Offices/Departments, This Headquarters

SUBJECT: Fort Knox Policy Memo No. 9-06 – Extremist Group Activity

1. Reference: AR 600-20, Army Command Policy, 13 May 2002.
2. The Army has intensified its focus on extremist group activity as a result of incidents attributed to Soldiers with links to extremist groups. Therefore, the Army has charged its leaders to be proactive in the fight against extremist group activity.
3. AR 600-20, paragraph 4-12, defines extremist activities as ones that advocate racial, gender, or ethnic hatred or intolerance or activities that advocate illegal discrimination or the use of unlawful means to deprive individuals of their rights. Commanders need to become thoroughly familiar with AR 600-20, paragraph 4-12, and provide appropriate command emphasis.
4. Leaders at all levels must be alert to the signs of extremism and proactive in identifying Soldiers and civilians who wrongfully participate in extremist group activities. Commanders and supervisors must take necessary and appropriate actions to maintain an environment free from the negative effects of extremist group activity.
5. If you have Soldiers who are involved with extremist organizations, they should be advised that the goals of such organizations are inconsistent with Army policy and that participation in such organizations may have adverse consequences on their careers. Action must also be taken against civilians if their extremist activities adversely impact the workplace.
6. Whether dealing with Soldiers or civilians, commanders and supervisors should get legal advice before pursuing a particular course of action. By working together we can prevent extremist activity from becoming a problem on Fort Knox.



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